GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DELAY IN NS CORRIDOR AND GQ PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons leading to delay in construction of Important stretches of North-South Corridor and Golden quadrilateral project passing through Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government has imposed any penalty on the contractors causing delay in construction work; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) Golden Quadrilateral does not pass through Madhya Pradesh. Delay in construction of North-South Corridor projects passing through Madhya Pradesh are on account of poor mobilization of resources & slow progress by concessionaire/ contractor, delay in obtaining ROB clearances, wild life clearances, forest clearance, land acquisition & utility shifting and non-availability of defence land.

(b) & (c) Penalties have been imposed on two erring contractors for the reasons of delay attributed on part of contractors. However, recovery towards this imposition of penalty from one contractor is subject to arbitration case.